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Hands-free cell devices needed

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Base regulations stating that operators of government and privately owned vehicles aboard MCB Hawaii shall not use cellular phones while the vehicle is in operation, and orders stating they will not wear radio headsets, earphones, or other devices that obstruct hearing while driving and running, are now being reinforced.

The regulations have existed for numerous years, but many service members aren't aware of their significance. Mario Diprete, safety specialist for base safety, said it is necessary for the orders to be enforced because accidents can and do happen when people are simply not paying attention.

There are a few exceptions. Cell phone use with a hands-free device is authorized for use by the base orders so long as only one ear is covered. Full headsets are not authorized, they impair hearing completely.

"To me, it's really just a common-sense approach," said Diprete. "If you're talking on your cell phone and only using one hand to drive, you aren't focused on the road."

A vast majority of people think that if nothing bad has happened to them, so far, regarding cell phones or headsets, that nothing bad will ever happen, said Bo Irvine, the director of safety.

There are various consequences for people pulled over for using cell phones while driving, or for jogging with full

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All-military rifle, pistol competitions launch Feb. 2

The Pacific Division Matches are seeking sharpshooters, experts

Cpl. **Monroe F. Seigle**
Combat Correspondent

The 2004 Pacific Division Matches are scheduled to begin Feb. 2, and Marines who qualify sharpshooter and above will have a chance to sign up for the competition Jan. 30 through Feb. 1.

According to Chief Warrant Officer 2 David Dutton, officer in charge for the Puuloa Training Facility, both enlisted Marines and officers are welcome to enter the competition. Along with being a sharpshooter, Marines must not have received more than one nonjudicial punishment and have an end of active service date no earlier than Sept. 1, but if needed, the EAS date requirement can be waived.

"This year's competition will be dif-

ferent from the ones in the past," said Dutton. "This year, the Marines who participate will also become qualified coaches for their unit and qualify with the M16A2 service rifle, along with the 9mm pistol. There will also be several government agencies and other branches of the service participating."

During the four-week competition, Marines will first complete the Basic Range Coach Course combined with instruction on entry-level pistol and both fundamental and advanced marksmanship techniques, to include practical applications.

The second week of training will consist of sustainment-level rifle marksmanship training in the mornings, followed by entry-level pistol training in the afternoons, to include qualification with both weapons.

The division match rifle practice courses, along with the division match pistol courses, will be held during the

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Cpl. Jason E. Miller

'Old Glory' sets sail

While attempting to lower the colors at the base flagpole, Marines from Headquarters Bn., MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, battle intense winds during the heavy storm that hit Oahu Wednesday. The winds were clocked at speeds up to 92 miles per hour. Base locals said they couldn't recall a Kona wind of this magnitude in the last decade. The storm also caused damage throughout housing and barracks areas, the flightline and various buildings basewide. For the full story, see next week's *Hawaii Marine*.

CSSG-3 slated to support HCAX

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The Marines and Sailors of Combat Service Support Group 3 aboard MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, are preparing to deploy to the "Big Island" to take part in the Hawaii Combined Arms Exercise (HCAX), to further refine their skills in a wartime environment.

The HCAX, held at the Pohakuloa Training Area, is an exercise where various units train together to simulate actual wartime situations and experience what it's like to have to depend on each other to complete the mission at hand.

"The role we play in this training mission is being the first to go in, and the last to get out," said Capt. Alison Daly, commanding officer of Headquarters Co., CSSG-3. "We come in first to set things up, and leave last to ensure the other units get out. We remove all equipment and supplies that are brought in."

The first priority for CSSG-3 during the HCAX evolution is to support air and ground combat groups, then itself.

Secondly, the Group will prepare for future combat situations. Further, during the HCAX, Group Marines will simulate safe evacuation of noncombatant units in a hostile environment.

"Training like this gives CSSG-3 the chance to get on live-fire ranges, she said. "We have a training schedule for the Marines that will constantly keep them busy in the area."

The Group has more than 350 service members participating in the training this time, only leaving some behind to prepare for Freedom Banner '04 in Korea.

Colonel James Harbison, the commanding officer of CSSG-3, has made it a goal to get the unit much more active with training, and to get the Group off Oahu as much as possible.

"Cobra Gold was the first exercise in 10 years that CSSG-3 deployed to in Thailand," said Daly. "CSSG-3's plate is now full with training, but that's because we made it that way."

In addition to the grueling training schedule on the island, HCAX training will take place at an elevation of approximately 4,000 feet, providing cold weather that can be very trying at times. The Marines will be supplied with fleeces and other cold weather gear in preparation for the colder climate.

"We know that, at times, Marines will be put in harsh conditions for long periods of time without any relief," said Daly. "It's good that they train in these conditions. When the time actually arises, they will be prepared."

The main body will arrive at HCAX Tuesday, but the first group of CSSG-3 departed Jan. 10 to set up security and get prepared for the month to come.



Cpl. Monroe F. Seigle

Specialist Joe Thibodeaux, a squad automatic weapon gunner with the Army's 1st Bn., 25th Infantry Division, at Schofield Barracks, looks at his target with an M49 spotting scope during the 2003 Pacific Division Matches hosted by MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, aboard Puuloa Range.

MCBH News Briefs

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR COCONUT ISLAND BEACH CLEANUP

Volunteers are needed for the Coconut Island Beach Cleanup from 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. on Saturday.

Volunteers are asked to meet at the base marina at 7:45 a.m. Transportation will be provided to and from the base marina.

Volunteers will be provided with free lunch and drinks, and will be given time for some rest and relaxation at Coconut Island.

Please RSVP no later than today by contacting Jim Lakey at 782-6150 or e-mail at lakey@hawaii.edu.

BASE CHAPEL TO HOST MINISTRY WORKSHOP FEB. 7-11

Vince Ambrosetti, a mission director, composer, pianist/vocalist and recording artist will be performing a ministry workshop Feb. 7-11 at the MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, base chapel. A series of events are planned, which follow:

- Feb. 7, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.: Ministry Workshop 5 p.m.: Mass: Music and Homely Reflections
- Feb. 8, 9:30 a.m.: Mass of Music and Homely Reflections 4 p.m.: Concert 5:30 p.m.: Cookout and potluck
- Feb. 9, 7 p.m.: Service of Light
- Feb. 10, 7 p.m.: Resting on God’s Presence: Reconciliation and Light
- Feb. 11, 7 p.m.: Gathering at the Banquet Table, The Mass of Thanksgiving.

HAIKU STAIRS

REMAIN CLOSED TO PUBLIC

The City and County of Honolulu has closed the gate to the Haiku Stairs while it posts liability and warning signs.

The Honolulu Police Department will greet would-be trespassers who attempt to access the stairs despite the closure.

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DeCA addresses beef concerns

Bonnie Powell

Defense Commissary Agency

FORT LEE, Va. — Officials at the Defense Commissary Agency are closely monitoring the ever-changing situation involving a case of bovine spongiform encephalopathy (BSE), also known as “mad cow” disease, identified in a single cow in Washington state Dec. 23.

Since Dec. 23 the U.S. Department of Agriculture has conducted a limited recall of 10,000 pounds of beef that may originate from the infected cow and from cows slaughtered at the same time and location.

“No beef in any of our 275 commissaries worldwide has been involved in a USDA recall,” said Col. Mark Wolken, chief of public health, safety and security for DeCA. “The USDA has stated that the U.S. beef supply is safe and that the beef recall resulted from an abundance of caution, not fear that the meat is infected. Should the USDA make a determination that there is a danger, DeCA would be first to react to protect the health of our customers,” he said.

Since the first U.S. case of BSE was identified Dec. 23, commissary customers have raised questions about the safety of beef purchased at their local commissary. Questions range from “Should I return the ground beef I bought last week?” to “Has



Lance Cpl. Megan L. Stiner

Allison C. Pasco, a meat wrapper for the commissary aboard MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, carefully stacks today's stock of fresh meat. According to the Defense Commissary Agency, no beef in any of their 275 commissaries has been involved in any USDA recall.

my commissary received meat from the infected cow?”

The answer to both questions is “no” said Wolken, an Army veterinarian.

“As is always the case, customers who wish to return commissary products for a full refund may do so without question. The brain, spinal cord, and lower intestine — where the protein or ‘prion’ that is believed to cause BSE is found — is not generally used in food consumed by Americans. Those parts were removed from the infected cow before any of it could enter the meat supply.”

USDA investigators have

determined that the recalled meat went to a few commercial markets in Alaska, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana and Guam, as well as Washington State, Oregon, California and Nevada.

“No commissaries received any of those shipments,” Wolken emphasized. “But I can certainly understand customers having concerns and questions. We’re all affected by this; we’re all concerned.”

Mad cow is a fatal disease that destroys the brains of the infected animal. It is caused in cattle by misshapen proteins called prions and is thought to be spread from

animal to animal through contaminated feed.

A rare form of the disease in humans known as variant Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease has been linked to the consumption of contaminated beef products. The approximately 140 deaths linked to “mad cow” since the mid-90s have mainly been in Britain.

For the latest developments on the current situation, as well as for links to the USDA and other information on recalls and food safety, commissary customers should check the food safety link at the DeCA Web site: www.commissaries.com.

DoD anthrax immunizations resumed

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U.S. Pacific Fleet Public Affairs

PEARL HARBOR — Pacific Fleet resumed the Department of Defense (DoD) Anthrax Vaccination Immunization Program (AVIP) Jan. 9 after a federal judge ruling allowed the Defense department to legally recommence the immunization program.

“The program was briefly stopped over Christmas based on a legal challenge to the program, and to the way the program was being administered,” said Capt. Christine Hunter, fleet surgeon for Commander, U.S. Pacific Fleet. “The judge never questioned the safety of the vaccine. Basically, he ruled against the completeness of the FDA process to approve the vaccine for use against inhalation anthrax.”

Hunter said the DoD ceased AVIP in compliance with U.S. District Judge Emmet G. Sullivan’s Dec. 22 injunction halting the vaccinations.

On Dec. 30 the FDA announced the vaccine safe and effective whether against inhaled or skin exposure to anthrax.

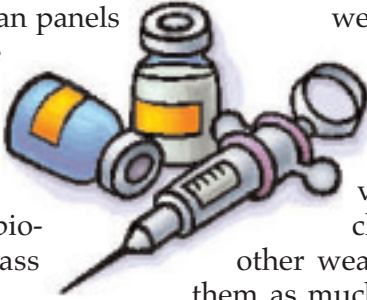
Though AVIP has been a controversial program, there have been 18 safety studies and, since 1978, seven independent civilian panels that have attested to the vaccine’s safety. The anthrax bacterium is easy to produce and spread and is therefore a serious candidate for a biological weapon of mass destruction.

“Before 9/11, even though the idea of terrorism was something we understood, people didn’t fully internalize what it meant to live with risk,” said Hunter. “I think folks said ‘is any type of a side effect relating to a vaccine program acceptable in lieu of the risk of getting anthrax?’ In the post-9/11 world when we saw anthrax dispersed through the mail, and we saw people dying from the

inhalation anthrax disease, then we began to understand that this risk was very real.

“We are very concerned about protecting the health of our troops,” Hunter said. “We want military members to be as safe as possible if we have to put them into harm’s way. And if we can identify any threat against our troops, be they conventional weapons, chemical, biological, other weapons, we want to give them as much protection as we can. Vaccines are one strategy. Personal protective gear is another strategy. Warfare tactics and techniques that minimize injury and casualties are another strategy, so (AVIP) is part of a comprehensive program because we care about our people.”

The DoD set up a Web site, www.anthrax.osd.mil, for information relating to the threat of anthrax, the disease and the vaccine.



Lava Dogs change command



RAMOS

Lieutenant Col. Michael R. Ramos (left) assumed command of 1st Bn., 3rd Marine Regiment, during a change of command ceremony at Dewey Square aboard MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, Jan. 8. Ramos, who previously served as the western hemisphere desk officer at Headquarters Marine Corps, replaces Lt. Col. William J. Fearn IV, who is awaiting orders.



FEARN

• **Getting It Straight:** The dates stated in the article entitled “Manana residents are top housing priority” on page A-3 of the Jan. 9 issue of the *Hawaii Marine* were incorrect. The Manana housing contract will be awarded in fiscal year 2006 with construction starting Oct. 1, 2006.

Career Course shifts focus

Staff NCOs learn new curriculum to support combat operations

Story and photos by
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MCB Camp Pendleton

MARINE CORPS BASE CAMP PENDLETON, Calif. — A shift in mindset for educating staff sergeants across the Corps has faculty at staff noncommissioned officer academies throughout the Corps hoping to give their students information they will really use while de-emphasizing material staff NCOs should already know.

Beginning with the Career Course scheduled to kick off this month, students will see more emphasis on the staff sergeant’s role in the rear area supporting combat operations.

“One of the goals behind it is to educate Marines across the spectrum on how they support offensive and defensive operations, no matter what their MOS,” said Master Sgt. Brian Burlingame, the Career Course’s chief at Camp Pendleton.

The changes are directed mainly at noninfantry Marines — about 70 percent of the student body, he said. Classes in the past were taught with more of an infantry mindset; subjects included conducting offensive operations and weapons employment.

Surprisingly, the changes don’t come from input based on lessons learned during Operation Iraqi Freedom, Burlingame said.

Most of the student feedback spurring the changes came while troops were still on the ground in Iraq. The Corps’ Career Course leadership met

here for a three-day conference in September 2003 to develop the new curriculum, then submitted it to Marine Corps University, which approved the updated lesson plans.

However, input from Iraqi Freedom veterans will probably result in more changes, Burlingame said.

To make room for the beefed-up rear-area security and force protection classes, along with other curriculum revisions, the academy trimmed items like uniform inspections, parade staff drill practice and weapons classes — things staff sergeants should already know, Burlingame said.

Some believe resident professional military education, such as the Career Course, is where units send their recently promoted Marines to learn everything they need to know for that rank, Burlingame said.

But academy staff see their role differently, he said.

“We want to go outside of that box,” he said. “Our goal is to try to make the staff sergeant more educated in various areas, which allows them to assume roles of greater responsibility.”

All Marines, regardless of MOS, are required to know certain skills and information, known as Marine Corps Common Skills, based on their rank. According to Burlingame, the responsibility for teaching and/or maintaining these skills falls on unit training offices or on the Marines themselves — not the academy.

For example, firing weapons like the M-203 grenade launcher and the M-249 Squad Automatic Weapon is being removed even at the Sergeants Course, because NCOs already undergo the training annually in their units, Burlingame said.

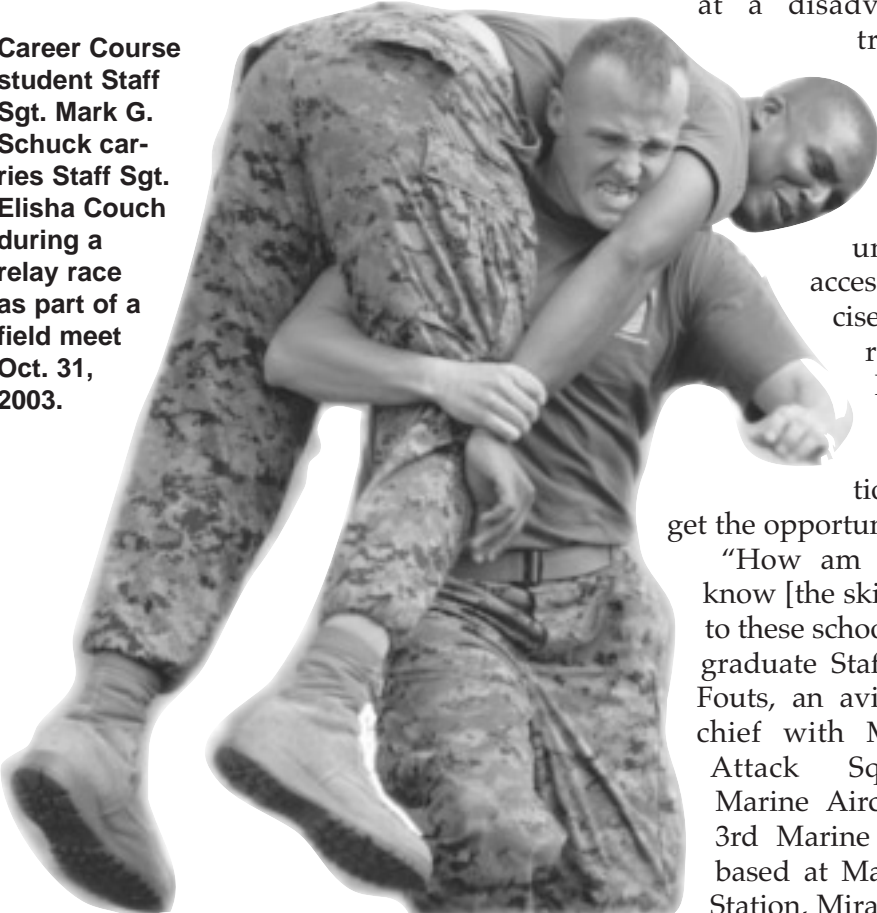
The changes may find some Marines at a disadvantage. While training and evaluating common skills may be easier in Fleet Marine Force units, where access to field exercises and weapons ranges is greater, Marines at non-deployable bases or air stations may never get the opportunity.

“How am I supposed to know [the skills] if I don’t go to these schools?” said recent graduate Staff Sgt. Larry A. Fouts, an aviation ordnance chief with Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 323, Marine Aircraft Group 11, 3rd Marine Aircraft Wing, based at Marine Corps Air Station, Miramar, Calif.



Career Course student Staff Sgt. Magdiel Vazquezanzua holds up fellow student Staff Sgt. Stephen D. Coffman as they compete in a wheelbarrow race during the field meet at the Staff Noncommissioned Officer Academy at Camp Pendleton, Calif.

Career Course student Staff Sgt. Mark G. Schuck carries Staff Sgt. Elisha Couch during a relay race as part of a field meet Oct. 31, 2003.



The extent of common skills training and evaluation at some units includes only an annual multiple-choice exam. Others, like 1st Force Service Support Group here, are more proactive. The FSSG tries to send all its privates through captains to a weeklong rear area security class annually. They also train some of their Marines on crew-served weapons at an annual basic machinegun course, said Capt. Lester Corpus, the group’s training officer.

“It’s going to be more critical that units look at the curriculum at the academies,” emphasized Burlingame.

Students attending the academy are not tested on common skills upon arrival nor as a prerequisite.

Marine sergeants, staff sergeants and gunnery sergeants attend either the Sergeants Course, the Career Course or the Advanced Course at one of the

Corps’ four staff noncommissioned officer academies located here, at MCB Camp Lejeune, N.C.; Quantico, Va.; or Okinawa, Japan. Sergeants Courses are also held for Marines at Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center, Twentynine Palms, Calif., and in Hawaii. Reservists attend abbreviated courses at Camp Crowder, Mo.

The seven-week Career Course is held six times per year, except at Quantico, Va., where five are held annually.

Since the curriculum is governed by the Marine Corps University in Quantico, staff sergeants receive the same period of instruction regardless of where they attend. Minor differences occur based on the base’s resources and facilities.

For more information on the Career Course or the Staff NCO Academy, visit www.mcu.usmc.mil/sncoa.

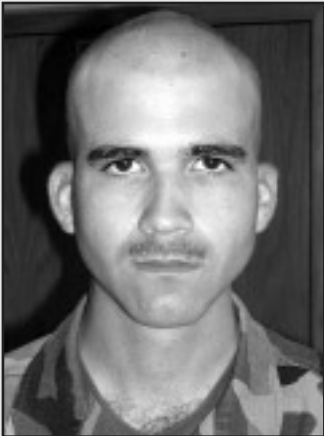
Word on the Street

“What are civil rights issues that still need to be addressed?”



“There are still issues with gender discrimination in the military that need to be addressed.”

Master Sgt. Milton White
Equal Opportunity Advisor
HQ Bn.



“I don’t see any problems in the military around me.”

Cpl. Adam Morris
Fire team leader
Bravo Co., 1/3



“The equal opportunity advisors need to be more aggressive and focus more on promoting ethnic and cultural backgrounds.”

Master Sgt. Juan Rivera
Deputy base inspector
HQ Bn., MCBH



“In Mississippi, there is still a lot of segregation. It is the same as in the 60s.”

Barbara Harper
Cashier and Mississippi native
Dunkin Donuts



“I think civil rights have been squared away. We are doing good.”

Sgt. Joshua Fields
Licensing and Accident NCO
HQ Bn., MCBH

Married couple promoted together

Lance Cpl. Megan L. Stiner
Combat Correspondent

Two gunnery sergeants aboard MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, have been through everything together from high school graduation to the drill field. Getting promoted on Jan. 4 at the 13th hole of the Kaneohe Klippers Golf Course was no exception to their pattern.

Gunnery Sgt. Rodney D. Daniels, a ground safety non-commissioned officer at Marine Corps Air Facility, and his wife, Gunnery Sgt. Mary A. Daniels, administrative chief of Marine Corps Air Facility, were both promoted to their present rank on the same day. The last time they shared an experience like this was when they were both meritoriously promoted to staff sergeant while stationed at Parris Island, S.C., as drill instructors.

The two Marines graduated from Jefferson Davis High School in Montgomery, Ala., before joining the Marine Corps in 1993. Rodney Daniels went to boot camp in September, and Mary Daniels arrived at Parris Island just one month later.

Since their marriage in 1997, they

have not been separated from each other. They have been stationed together in Iwakuni, Japan; Camp Lejeune, N.C.; Parris Island, S.C.; and their current duty station at MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay.

“It is great being together everywhere we go. You have someone to talk to who understands you and knows what you are going through,” said Mary Daniels.

The Daniels have aspirations of becoming warrant officers and hope to put their packages in soon. They would also both like to return to the drill field later in their careers.

“It is difficult, at times, to be a married couple in the Marine Corps. There are stressful hours, and it takes a toll on a marriage,” said Rodney Daniels. “Plus, she makes our careers into a competition,” he added smiling. “But it is good because we use the motivation to push each other.”

The Daniels keep their relationship strong by complimenting each other’s strengths and weaknesses.

“If you were to combine us, you would have a Super Marine,” said the Daniels.



Lance Cpl. Megan L. Stiner

Gunnery Sgt. Rodney Daniels, ground safety noncommissioned officer for MCAF, gets promoted to his present rank at the 13th hole of the Kaneohe Klipper golf course. He had the opportunity of being pinned by his brother and spouse GySgt. Mary Daniels, Administration chief for MCAF.

ORDER, From A-1

headsets. If an active duty member is stopped for jogging with a full headset, he or she receives a written minor offense report (MOR), and his or her unit decides how the service member will be reprimanded.

If a family member or civilian is stopped, either would also receive an MOR, but the base inspector takes action.

“Most rules and regulations are written in blood,” Irvine said. “People think these rules are a hindrance, but they need to realize that there is a reason that these orders are made.”

Base safety wants to stress that the reason for the base orders are for the benefit and well-being of service members, their families, DOD employees and all others who travel in motor vehicles aboard MCB Hawaii installations.

PACDIV, From A-1

third week of training, followed by the execution of the division match proper during the fourth week of training. After the division match proper in the fourth week of training, there will be a team competition and an individual awards ceremony.

“We are hoping that at least 150 Marines will sign

up for these matches,” said Dutton. “The Marines who complete this training will be a valuable asset to their unit because they can pass on the marksmanship knowledge they learned to other Marines.

“Even if the Marine is already a qualified expert with the rifle, the instruction they will receive will put the shooter through to the top.”

“ quotable ”

We have flown the air like birds and swum the sea like fishes, but have yet to learn the simple act of walking the earth like brothers.

- Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

(Editor’s Note: Per the commanding general of MCB Hawaii, those convicted of DULs or drug-related offenses shall be publicized in the Hawaii Marine newspaper.)

- Private Joseph H. Cox of 3rd Bn., 3rd Marine Regiment, was taken into custody Jan. 9 for driving under the influence, and underage consumption of alcohol. His license was suspended and his decal and

vehicle were removed from base on Jan. 9.

- Lance Cpl. Roland R. Ivan of 1st Bn., 3rd Marine Regiment, was taken into custody Jan. 10 for driving under the influence with the blood alcohol content of 0.15 percent, and underage consumption of alcohol. His license was suspended and his decal removed on Jan. 10. His vehicle was removed from base Jan. 11.



DULs are career killers

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration reminds that impaired driving is not merely a traffic offense. Don't be fooled. Impaired driving is no accident nor is it a victimless crime.

Too many people still don't understand that alcohol, drugs and driving don't mix. If you also find this too hard to figure out when you've had too many drinks to drive, don't risk it. If you're feeling “buzzed,” you are most likely impaired. And, if you drive impaired, law enforcement will arrest you.

You drink & drive. YOU LOSE

TO DO LIST

With any activity that involves alcohol:

- Plan ahead.

- Choose a sober designated driver.
- Take mass transit or a taxicab, or ask a friend to drive you home if you didn't plan in advance.

- Spend the night where the activity is being held.
- Celebrate responsibly.
- Report impaired drivers to law enforcement.



The Art of the Dog Attack

Military working dogs exercise training skills in the apprehension of a criminal

Lance Cpls.
Michelle M. Dickson &
Megan L. Stiner
Combat Correspondents

When reminiscing about favorite movies one fine day, a scene from the hit film “Stand By Me” popped into our minds. As we recalled that vivid junkyard scene, we thought to ourselves, what better way to spend an afternoon than to try and re-enact that scene. So, we called the Provost Marshal’s Office, and less then a week later, vicious, bloodthirsty dogs were mauling us. No exaggeration whatsoever!

As we entered the softball field, visions of the legendary ball-eating dog called “The Beast” from the movie “The Sandlot” flashed through our heads. But that wasn’t about to stop us. We more than confidently climbed into our stylish Teflon bite suits, and intently listened to the safety brief.

We received common, everyday tips like “Don’t stop moving or you’ll get bit in the head” and “Roll your shoulders back, so when they bite down they’re less likely to grab as much skin,” and created a whole new tingly feeling. We could tell this would be an enjoyable experience.

Wearing a “bite-proof suit” is also like being in a movie. It is similar to what Eddie Murphy must have felt like in “The Nutty Professor.” Invigorating. Then it all unfolds. The first step toward getting bit by a police dog is to slowly walk away from the animal and handler, while listening for a command to begin running. As soon as you take off, a

familiar tune blows through the trees: “Bad boys, bad boys, whatcha gonna do? Whatcha gonna do, when they come for you?” And you will never feel more like a renegade, more like one of the many rebels of the world, more like the people portrayed on the television show “Cops.” And as that serene, peaceful tune blows through the trees, a new sound is heard in the distance.

“Get em! Go boy, go! Yeah-ya!” yelled the handler.

Your heart beats a million miles a second as you anticipate the initial lunge of the dog. Then crack! You feel impact, intense pressure from the bite, then the ground.

You spit out the dirt you ate when you were knocked off your feet, then wrestle with the dog. Correction, the dog wrestles with whichever one of your limbs it decides to lock its 22,000 pounds of pressure-per-square-inch

bone-breaking jaws of death on. Time then ticks away until the animal is called off of you. Meanwhile, onlookers laugh at your expense and pain.

The lesson we learned is that you do not want to ever run from the police or military working dogs. Both are trained to the utmost level, and if driven, military working dogs will put you in a bad situation.

So, if you ever find yourself in a position that might result in an apprehension by the military K-9 unit, you may want to think back to that timeless tale “Kujo” by the classic horror novelist Stephen King — before you choose to run like a renegade.



Photos by Lance Cpl. Richard E. Mattingly

Lance Cpls. Megan Stiner (left) and Michelle Dickson run away from the massive jaws of Pax, a military working dog with the Military Police Co. aboard MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay.